ancial Corporation as laid down by IDBI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Industrial Development Bank of India has reported that the loan agreement executed between the U.P. State Financial Corporation (UPSFC) and its borrowers provides for levy of gross rate of interest in case of default on the outstanding loan. UPSFC follows a system of gross rate of interest with 3 per cent rebate for timely payment. In case of default, gross rate of interest is applied to the outstanding balance of loan. IDBI has generally advised SFCs to consider levying penal interest on the defaulted amount for the period of default. It is, however, understood that some SFCs, including UPSFC have not adopted this so far. IDBI proposes to have a dialogue with the concerned SFCs in this regard.

Road accidents in Delhi

1110. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the number of road accidents in Delhi during the period 1st January to 30th June, 1989 and the number of persons arrested in this connection;

(b) what was the number of hit and run accident cases registered in Delhi during the above period; and

(c) what action Government propose to take to prevent road accidents in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) During the period from 1-1-89 to 30-6-1989, 3,727 road accidents took place. 2,467 persons were arrested.

(b) 794.

(c) Erring drivers are prosecuted under various offences by the Delhi Traffic Police. The new Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, which provides stringent measures has come into force since 1-7-1989. Stern action is taken against violaters of traffic rules. Public is being educated through the media of press, television, leaflets, booklets and radio.

Statement of ASSOCHAM President on economic issues

1111. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the statement of the President of Associated Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ASSOCHAM) as reported in the Hindustan Times of 24th May, 1989;

(b) if so, what specific suggestions were made by him to increase production and exports and to reduce cost of production; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) According to the report appearing in Financial Express dated 25-5-89 (and not Hindustan Times dated 24-5-1989) the President of ASSOCHAM has highlighted the need for a drastic revision of the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices (MRTP) Act and amendment of Foreign Exchange Regulations Act (FERA) to encourage a higher level of exports and foreign direct private investment. These issues have